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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

OF THE

TOWN OF DEERING,

FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING FEB. 22d, 1867,

WITH THE REPORT OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

AND THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.



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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

Of the Town of Deering for the year ending Feb. 22,
1867.

THE TOWN OF DEERING

IN ACCOUNT WITH A. J. LOCKE.

By balance from last year's settlement	\$2,723 02
Amount of assessments	5,439 24
Received of selectmen	703 98
do Augustus Wilson, selectman	300 00
do Matthew Forsaith, do	300 00
do Augustus Wilson, do	250 00
do Matthew Forsaith, do	400 00
do Augustus Wilson, do	670 00
do Samuel Wilson, the literary fund, 1865	20 00
do Augustus Wilson, selectman	1,018 66
do Samuel Wilson, do	75 00
do Savings bank tax dividend for 1866	94 30
do Railroad tax for 1866	26 60
do State aid	106 39
do Literary fund	31 95
do of Augustus Wilson, selectman	900 00
do United States bounty	640 00
do of Samuel Wilson, selectman	1 00
do Augustus Wilson, overseer of poor	572 25
do do for support county paupers	109 52

Whole amount \$14,381 91

Which the Treasurer accounts for as follows :

Paid School Districts—

No. 1,	\$90 87	8,	63 61
2,	88 62	9,	65 74
3,	45 05	10,	43 05
4,	88 82	11,	10 15
5,	92 32	James Brown, Henniker,	2 97
6,	49 20		
7,	60 57	Amount,	<u>\$700 9</u>

Paid the following Town Orders—

John C. Barnes, work and articles furnished town farm	16 21
George W. Bartlett, note	108 83
Joseph Ellinwood, over-tax 1864	2 50
Joseph Kennedy, breaking and repairing highway	21 50
J. S. Ellinwood, breaking roads 1864	1 95
Augustus Wilson, do 1864-5	8 85
L. & S. B. Brown, illegal winter highway tax 1861-2	3 74
Enoch Hadley, do do do do	6 50
B. L. Bartlett, services as selectman	64 95
John C. Barnes, work and articles for town farm	5 95
Charles Kempfield, illegal winter highway tax 1861-2	6 19
Samuel Gregg, services as treasurer	25 00
do do town clerk	25 00
do stationery	2 30
do boarding selectmen and auditors 1865	7 33
do do do do 1866	5 66
Freeman Dow, breaking roads 1864-5	5 20
Wm. Forsaith, do do	8 05
do repairing town house	1 50
C. A. Appleton, services as selectman	78 25
do pauper bill	11 24
do services as overseer of poor	24 50
Isaac Smith, for auditors	6 00
J. G. Morrill, breaking roads in 1864-5	2 70
Nathan Codman, do do do	9 82
do repairing bridge	13 32
Josiah Loveren, chairman building com. of school house	154 24
Joseph Mitchell, Bass note	119 84
do note	769 20
Stephen C. Downing, note	112 06
Humphrey Peasley, breaking roads, 1864	3 48
Erastus H. Bartlett, do do 1864-5	4 65
Andrew J. Locke, record book	10 25
Oliver Ellsworth, note	54 88
do labor on town farm	230 00
do note	90 55
Oliver N. Ellsworth, note	286 19
do do	42 36
Lydia Twiss, do	53 82
Charles F. Gove, do	529 92
Wm. Roach, do	164 44
George H. Clark, for oxen	172 00
James Forsaith, notes	856 83
Giles E. Brown, breaking roads 1864-5	2 00

Erastus H. Bartlett, abatement of tax 1865	7 05
Enoch H. Bartlett, for stationery	3 50
do overseer of poor	7 50
do services as selectman	52 50
A. C. Burnham, for medical attendance	12 00
George C. Patten, building committee school house	120 00
Wm. W. Codman, school money for 1865	29 72
G. & J. Whittemore, goods for Mrs. Carpenter	19 85
John F. Chase, over tax in 1865	4 70
Levi J. Locke, abatement tax 1865	5 64
Benj. L. Bartlett, overseer of poor	5 25
Wm. S. Smith, admr. of Sam'l Crane, highway tax 1861-2	53
Wm. B. Crane, highway tax 1861-2	85
Wm. Crane, breaking roads in 1861-2-3	7 40
Wm. C. Whitaker do 1864-5	6 90
Amos Kentfield, do 1861-2-3	3 50
D. H. Goodell, for plank	10 00
Mary Gove, note,	639 77
John Bartlett, note	1018 66
James S. Butler, store goods,	73 86
Hiram Stevens, illegal highway tax in 1861-2	7 96
Moses H. Chase, do do do	5 56
George C. Patten, building committee school house	487 15
George Duncan, interest	12 00
J. B. Woodbury, for nails	1 56
Zadoc P. Hastings, repairing bridge	29 22
John C. Barnes, breaking roads in 1864-5	4 30
J. W. Collins, labor on town farm	32 50
J. Twiss, note	61 00
R. Manahan, over-tax	4 08
H. Gove, interest on school fund	60 00
B. S. Brown, over-tax in 1866	12 03
H. B. Cressey, do do	3 00
Caroline Chase, do do	26 08
Herod Chase, building com. on school house	200 00
J. Marcy & Co., abatement of tax in 1866	1 77
R. W. Buttrick, repairing bridge	4 00
Sam'l Woods, interest on note	24 00
James Wallace, land damage	5 00
R. Tubbs, do do	100 00
H. Peasley, repairing road	4 25
D. B. Hadlock, building com. on school house	300 00
R. H. Otis, interest on note	36 24
D. White, note	286 04
Isaac Wilkins, endorsement on note	100 00

A. C. Gould, building road	403 25
C. A. Appleton, labor on Moat bridge	20 25
B. L. Bartlett, for money paid out	4 80
Marshall and Wilson, labor on Moat bridge	10 75
D. McAllister, do do	13 00
C. Butterfield, do do	5 25
E. Buttrick, do do	7 00
J. Chase, do do	1 75
Bullard & Wilson, setting willows	9 50
James Locke, breaking roads, 1864-5	2 55
E. R. Colby, do do do	5 00
do repairing roads	16 00
E. Fuller, do bridge	14 75
B. Bullard, labor on Moat bridge	7 00
C. H. Joy, do do	8 78
G. W. Colby, do do	2 00
J. Bullard, do do	11 00
J. B. Smith, bridge plank,	15 26
D. B. Hadlock, building committee on school house,	290 00
J. Clement, note	514 50
I. S. Appleton, drawing plank	1 50
C. C. Joslyn, breaking roads in 1864 5	1 35
G. C. Patten, surveying new road	3 00
F. Glawson, repairing bridge	3 45
N. Codman, labor on Moat bridge	10 50
J. A. White, do	3 50
J. Twiss, do	9 00
J. M. Appleton, do	21 00
W. Travis, do	19 00
A. White, do	8 00
F. Dow, do	56 87
J. L. Ellsworth, for bricks	2 00
J. S. Ellinwood, labor and plank on bridge	31 36
James Wallace, building new road	38 00
Rhoda White, furnishing watering trough	3 00
James Chase, labor on highway	12 00
N. White, do	2 40
L. T. Hastings, labor on Moat bridge	5 25
S. Wilson, do	61 87
F. Dow, for S. Ross, note	175 30
do do do	413 90
Isaac Smith, breaking roads in 1865-6	2 80
S. Wilson, labor on Cork bridge	5 00
L. Cheney, plank for Moat and Hastings bridges	58 41
I. Wilkins, endorsement on note,	50 00

J. Mitchell, labor on Moat Bridge,	17 50
H. Gove, abatement of taxes,	59 92
do do town farm tax,	41 58
Z. P. Hastings, repairing bridge	2 00
Augustus Wilson, for cattle,	169 00
Wm. Manahan, abatement of tax	17 00
G. Hoit, ever tax	1 00
J. Kimball, illegal winter highway tax 1861-2	7 19
J. Mitchell, do do do	79
C. Shepard, breaking and repairing roads	9 00
S. C. Downing, repairing school house	18 50
J. Bartlett, repairing roads	20 28
Morris Holman, services Superintending School Com.	19 00
Sarah Downing, endorsement on note	157 47
Augustus Wilson, for printing town reports, 1866	35 00
do sundry poor bills	167 94
E. Dutton & Co., store bill	169 07
Augustus Wilson, for D. S. Carter at asylum	77 39
Town of Weare for board of Gregg children	137 05
S. Wilson, for money paid out on Moat bridge	14 40
do do do	9 40
A. Wilson, for support of county paupers	72 50
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Whole amount expenditures	11,460 50
Non-resident highway receipts	66 30
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	11,526 88

OUTSTANDING NOTES AGAINST THE TOWN.

Charles C. Atwood	\$741 22	J. M. Appleton	242 55
Caroline Chase	186 48	John L. Farwell	316 05
David Wilson	262 91	J. B. Phelps	1,402 96
Erastus H. Bartlett	105 10	Chas. Shepard	161 38
Isaac Wilkins	419 60	R. H. Otis	609 50
Thos. M. Bell	178 33	James Wood	409 60
David Wilson	421 06	Sarah Downing	236 36
Francis Grimes	416 53	Jennie S. Forsaith	46 11
Elvira Wilson	123 52	E. H. Bartlett	227 41
David Wilson	305 00	J. F. Chase	69 67
Lydia Twiss	76 23	Wm. Manahan	144 71
Witter Wilson	609 10	Lydia Twiss	42 33
Ira S. Appleton	207 66	Stephen Peasley	225 28
Wm. Manahan	502 77	Samuel Wood	241 77
do	117 16	Wm. Forsaith 2d	316 00
do	417 51	Joseph Mitchell	105 55
Isaac Wilkins	147 38	Freeman Dow	85 17

James T. Forsaith	117 16	George Downing	111 48
Chas. Shepard	231 73	Sarah Downing	538 17
John Duncan	232 05	Clark Roach	252 84
David Clough	332 46	do	161 03
Phidelia Colby	119 80	Nathan Cunningham	53 53
J. M. Appleton	361 79	Milton McCoy	174 68
Caroline Chase	83 64	do	207 66
Wm. Manahan	112 81	do	635 39
B. L. Bartlett	224 72	David Wilson	754 66
S. H. Jones	562 08	Persis Wilson	232 05
Freeman Dow	211 47	Geo W. Colby	213 51
do	701 41	Jane G. Butler	233 12
do	58 07	J. B. Ellinwood	60 31
Ira S. Appleton	119 22		
Total amount of Notes,			<u>\$18,127 81</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Whole amount received into the Treasury		\$14,381 91
Paid school orders	\$ 700 97	
Paid town orders	11,460 50	
Non-resident highway receipts	66 30	
		<u> </u>
Amount of expenditures		\$12,227 77
Deducting the amount of expenditures from the amount of receipts, leaves in the hands of the treasurer		<u>\$2,154 14</u>
		<u> </u>
Amount of notes against the town	18,127 81	
Amount of outstanding debts and unsettled accounts against the town, estimated	675 00	
		<u>18,802 81</u>
Due from United States soldiers' bounty	1,640 00	
Balance in the treasury,	2,154 14	
Whole amount due from all sources		<u>3,794 14</u>
Deducting the amount due from all sources including amount in the treasurer's hands from the amount of debt leaves the town in debt		<u>\$15,008 67</u>

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find the same duly vouched and correctly cast.

GEORGE SMART, }
 CRISTY GREGG, } Auditors.
 FREEMAN DOW, }

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR.

PERSONAL PROPERTY ON TOWN FARM, FEBRUARY 20, 1867.

Live Stock—		130 bushels potatoes	52 00
1 horse	\$ 50 00	50 lbs. lard	9 00
1 pair oxen	200 00	12 dozen candles	2 00
6 cows	240 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$ barrels soap	13 00
4 yearlings	120 00	Garden sauce	1 00
15 sheep	40 00	10 bushels ashes	2 00
2 shoats	40 00	Dried pumpkin	1 50
12 hens	6 00	10 lbs. dried apple	1 25
		Sugar	50
	\$696 00	3 gallons vinegar	1 00
Provisions and Produce—		Spices	37
8 tons English hay	176 00	2 bushels meal	3 00
6 tons meadow hay	48 00	Matches	20
18 bushels corn	25 00	38 lbs. wool	19 00
25 bushels oats	17 50	3 pairs feeting	1 80
8 bushels rye	12 00	3 lbs. yarn	4 50
2 $\frac{1}{2}$ bushels beans	7 00		
1 barrel flour	13 50		\$622 12
400 lbs. pork	72 00	Household Furniture	207 25
180 lbs. ham	25 00	Farming Tools	148 00
100 lbs. beef	10 00	Lumber on hand	9 50
260 lbs butter	104 00		

RECEIVED FOR ARTICLES SOLD.

R. Noyes, 1 pair oxen	190 75	L. P. Gould, potatoes	6 95
do 1 cow	48 00	2 bushels oats	1 10
Tarbell, 4 steers	210 00	Lumber	4 00
Wyman, 4 calves	29 05	A. Wilson, labor	6 25
Hadley, 1 calf	6 00	Lard	50
Clark, 2 lbs. rolls	1 80	Sewing	75
Francis, $\frac{1}{2}$ do	45	Bingham, for oats	7 25
Gould, 2 do	1 80	Eggs	3 67
Jackson, 3 do	2 70	10 pairs feeting	5 80
Chase, 12 chickens	6 00	Butter	1 90
Ellsworth, 4 do	2 00	Lard	9 25
Atwood, 10 bushels oats	5 50	Axe and helve	1 80
do yarn	1 50	15 pairs feeting	8 22
Collins, potatoes	2 00	J. Marcy, lumber	79 90
Wyman, hide	5 10	21 $\frac{1}{4}$ lbs. butter	8 50

Potatoes	25	Straw	1 00
1 pair feeting	58	Making coats	9 13
Soap	10		
Potatoes	2 00		\$680 50
Burnham, for labor	9 00		

EXPENSES OF FARM.

Butler & Barker for flour	12 98	S. Forsaith, rep. lead pipe	3 30
H. Marcy's bill	4 72	J. H. Forsaith, threshing	7 37
F. P. Goodall's bill	3 38	L. Morse, kettle and doors	10 00
J. Collins, haying	32 50	Batchelder, masonry	5 00
Newman's bill	6 64	Sundry bills	22 99
Newman & Hadley	4 45	R. Tubbs' bill	6 25
Robins & Gillis' bill	29 88	J. Newman, 2 pigs	10 00
Gillis and Wyman's bill	6 96	A. Wilson, 4 steers	96 00
F. G. Smith, blacksmith,	11 75	do 1 heifer,	35 00
L. McClintock, barley	5 00	do cow	38 00
J. Chase, labor	4 00		
J. Murdough, labor	6 00		\$370 67
Dr. Burnham	8 50		

E. DUTTON & CO.'S STORE BILL.

Tobacco 40, indigo 17, gal. molasses 75, 2 doz. crackers 16, 1
 whiplash 33, 2 lbs. nails 16, 40½ yds. cloth 10,87, 18½ lbs. fish
 1,48, 11 yds. print 2,00, 1 spool thread 7, 2 galls. molasses 1,20,
 1 bbl. flour 12,00, 1 lb. tea 1,25, 1 cake soap 10, 2 yds. cloth
 40, 1 book 25, 1 primer, 25, 15¼ lbs. fish 1,22, 2 gals. molasses
 1,20, 10 lbs. sugar 1,40, 10 yds print 2,00, 2 shakers 70, 1 lb. tea
 1,25, 6½ yds. tweed 4,03, 4 rakes 1,40, 2 scythes 2,00, 2 rifles 16,
 1 pair shoes 1,30, 1 yard Silicia 30, 2 lbs. saleratus 24, 18 lbs.
 fish 1,35, 3 yds. cloth 1,95, 2 whetstones 20, 1 hat 17, 14½ lbs.
 lard 3,56, 2 galls. molasses 1,40, 1 lb. ginger 40, 1 rifle 8, 1 bag
 salt 4,25, 7 yds. sheeting 1,96, 1 lb. tea 1,25, 2 galls. molasses
 1,20, 1 lb. saleratus 12, tobacco 25, 1 bbl. flour 13,00, 3¼ lbs.
 mackerel 45, 1 lb. saleratus 12, 5 doz. crackers 40, 8 lbs. fish 64,
 1 oz. nutmeg 12, ¼ lb. cassia 20, ½ lb. tea 75, 1 lb. tea 1,25, 3 lbs.
 soda 38, bbl. flour 13,50, 6 lbs. nails 48, 3 lbs. sugar 45, 2 galls.
 molasses 1,25, 4 yds. frocking 3,40, 7¾ lbs. fish 70, 1 ball wick
 12, 2 qts. k. oil 40, 4 lbs. sugar 60, 1 lb. tea 1,25, 1 lb. tobacco
 60, 3 yds. cloth 75, 1 pair boots 4,25, 1 pair boots 2,25, 1 pair
 boots 3,25, 1½ yds. frocking 1,05, 1 axe helve 30, 1 axe 1,50, 3
 lbs. saleratus 36, 1 bbl. flour 13,50, codfish 85, 1 lock 25, 1 lb.
 tea 1,50, 2 galls. molasses 1,20, 5 lbs. sugar 75, 5½ yds. print 1,10,
 ¼ gross matches 60, 3 lbs. nails 24, 3 lbs. nails 24, 1 bbl. flour
 15,00, 2 files 30, 2 galls. molasses 1,30, buttons 7, thread 6, ¾ yd.

canvass 20, almanac 10. 2 yds. silicia 50, 1 vest pattern 75,
 3 yds. frocking 2,25, bbl. flour 15,50, 1 shaker 37, plow point 75,
 2 spoole cotton 14, hank thread 6, 1 yd. cloth 20. \$178 66

Whole amount appraised \$2,363 37

Proceeds of farm 680 50

Expense of farm 117 27

Expense of poor off farm—

William Norris \$24 90

Enos Bailey 42 20

David S. Carter 77 39

Gregg children, 137 05

————— \$281 54

Received of County \$109 52

Paid for the support of J. Haskall \$11 50

do do Mary Fairbanks 4 00

do do Frenchman 53 50

S. Wilson for county pauper 3 50

————— \$72 50

Paid town treasurer 37 02

————— \$109 52

Avails received from other sources \$50 00

To do justice we would say, that there has been about 40 rods
 of stone wall built on the farm the past season, and about twelve
 days' work done off the farm for the town, not reported, and much
 credit is due Mrs. Gould for the management of household affairs.

AUGUSTUS WILSON, } Overseers
 MATTHEW FORSAITH, } of Poor.

REPORT OF THE Superintending School Committee.

Summer Schools.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Miss Martha A. Muzzy was engaged to teach this school. Laboring earnestly and faithfully for the improvement of her pupils, her labors were crowned with success. She is known as a teacher of experience and energy.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

This district employed Miss Frances M. Butler to take charge of their school. And it was very fortunate in securing her services, as a teacher of experience and faithfulness. It was a very successful term of school.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

The school in this district was taught by Miss Margie D. Forsaith. This was her first term as teacher, and a word of encouragement is due from the committee for her care and fidelity in her work, and the commendable success attending the effort.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

In this school, for the summer term, Miss Martha E. Chase, of Weare, was engaged as teacher. The school was composed mostly of small scholars. Having a kind teacher, a pleasant and comfortable school-room, the school enjoyed a good degree of prosperity.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Miss Elvira E. Forsaith was engaged in instructing this school for the summer. This was the largest school in town, crowded into one of the most uncomfortable houses that could well be imagined. We are happy to say it was for the last time. Since the summer school closed, a new and commodious house has been erected, which reflects much honor on the district. We think the district would do well to secure the services of Miss Forsaith another term.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

The district engaged the services of Miss Helen A. Clough, of Manchester, to teach their school for the summer. We visited the school at its commencement and found it in good order. Not being notified of its close, we are unable to report the progress made.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Miss H. Arvilla Hastings taught this school. The closing examination was very creditable to both teacher and scholars, and truly satisfactory to the committee and all concerned.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

In this school, Miss Sarah A. Gove was engaged to teach for the summer term. It was found a very quiet and orderly school. At the closing examination a number of the scholars were absent. Those who were present appeared to have made good improvement in their studies.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

This school was favored with the services of Miss Carrie E. Bell, of Bennington, for the term under consideration. The teacher appears to be at home in the school-room, making it pleasant for herself and profitable for the school.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

We believe there was a term of school in this district. As no certificate or register was called for, we are unable to report.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

Miss Nellie H. Gove, of Weare, taught in this district. There are but two scholars resident in this district. A number of scholars came in from No. 3, making a small school. This district should be united with No. 3.

HENRY GOVE, Sup. School Com.

Winter Schools.

FELLOW-CITIZENS: In compliance with the laws of the State, I hereby submit my report for the few months which it has been my privilege to serve. And in performing the work, I am persuaded that I have found even more interest felt on the part of the inhabitants of the town in this work than I had anticipated. The schools have been visited by parents and others, showing that they cared for the coming generation. And when we reflect that it has long since been said "the churches and school-houses were the bulwarks of our land," and that the scenes of the past years have done much to prove it so, we may well think our interest in behalf of the common school is not in vain. So when we think of the vast difference between the educated and the uneducated, whatever their station or calling in life—the practical knowledge and the increased mental power of the one over the other—and the fact that the educated are less likely to fall into crime, and if they do so, they are in a position in which there is more hope of their reformation, we have additional reason to think all the interest we may take in this work is not in vain. As we think also of the relation of this generation of boys and girls, and of young men and women to us of the present active generation—and of their relation to that which is to come after them—that it is for them to transmit whatever they may find desirable socially, politically and morally in us to the generation of their children, with whatever improvements they may desire, we must know that we cannot be found taking too great an interest in this work. What lover of his country or of humanity can fail to be interested?

And as we think of the accumulating influence to be exerted by the present generation of the young on society, the country and the world, who can fail to feel an accumulated responsibility coming upon him as he has anything to do in this work?

New England is said to be "the brains of the country." And who can doubt that it has, and is destined in future, to exert a leading influence in the country, and, by its intelligence, a controlling influence? And what community or people of equal extent has or is destined to exert a more extensive and happy influence on human kind the world over than this same New England, and that in consequence of the facilities it provides itself for this universal education?

And I know that I speak the sentiments of all parents, worthy the name, in saying we are more than willing that our children should be found doing better for themselves and the world than we have been able to do. This advance over us, of usefulness and happiness to themselves and others, we think it is very generally supposed is to be secured through a good education.

And no man of intelligence will question that the money expended to secure an education for the business of life is the most safe and profitable investment that can be made to secure the well-being of the children educated, and a community of law-abiding and law-sustaining citizens.

I may say my association with the teachers has been peculiarly pleasant to me and I hope to them. We have been very fortunate in securing teachers of ability and integrity, most of them having had considerable experience in the work and an ardent love for it.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

This school was taught by Mr. George C. Patten. At our first visit there was manifested a marked restlessness and tendency to disorder on the part of some of the larger scholars. But through the kind and persevering energy of the teacher, this was entirely done away and good order secured, as witnessed at the last visit of the committee. The school made commendable improvement for so short a term.

Mr. P. proves an acceptable and profitable instructor. This school is the only one in town, which has retained the unwise custom of fastening out their teacher on new year's day. They who do this are depriving themselves of a precious privilege, and doing a serious injustice to others, and bringing disrepute upon the district.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

The district secured the services of Miss Elvira J. Buckman, as teacher for the winter term. She is a lady of experience in her calling, and inculcates on her pupils the importance of learning faithfully what they attempt. The closing visit bore witness to thoroughness in teaching and study. A goodly number have their names recorded as not having whispered without permission, and that, while the teacher tells them it is preferable to do so half a dozen times to uttering a falsehood once.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Miss Martha A. Muzzy was employed to take charge of this school. There was good order manifested in this school and commendable advancement made in the studies pursued. This was the third term of this teacher in this school, and we think quite as satisfactory to all concerned as any previous one. The house needs some repairs for the comfort and success of the school.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

This district employed Mr. S. Garland Blanchard, of Hillsborough to teach their school. By diligent, and earnest attention to the studies pursued by teacher and pupils, there was manifest progress during the term. Parents and scholars have co-operated with the teacher, much to the advantage of the school. Here we notice that quite a portion of the school refrain from whispering, to their credit. Mr. B.'s influence on the school is of the right character.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

The school in this district was taught by Mr. John F. Chase. The district has done itself credit in building a new and commodious house, well fitted to the convenience and comfort of all the inmates. In visiting the school we witnessed the most perfect order, giving promise that the term would be one of profit. The closing visit confirmed our expectations. The teacher remarks—"the scholars govern themselves." And this they do to their credit and profit. The greater portion voluntarily refrain from whispering. Mr. C.'s

long and successful experience in the work makes him a profitable teacher. Seven in the district did not attend the school. I am afraid they will not make good scholars, or good citizens, if voluntarily absent.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

The district had no school for this term.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Mr. Titus Brown of Francetown, was engaged in teaching this school.— This was the teacher's first attempt in the business, but by careful and persevering exertion he succeeded in awakening the pupils' interest to a diligent attention to their studies, and secured the desired result of commendable progress in the various branches pursued.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

This school was in charge of Mr. B. L. Bartlett for the winter term. We are informed that two in this small district did not attend school. How much did they learn? Not so much as they might have done. Mr. B. is well known as a teacher in the district, having taught for a period of five months before this term. A man of life and energy, he inspires his pupils with a like spirit. Success manifestly attended the efforts of this school, and it is to be classed among the most respectful and orderly.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Mr. Samuel T. Dutton, of Hillsborough, was engaged in teaching this school. At its commencement it promised to be a profitable term. Not being able to visit it at its close we failed to witness for ourselves the progress, but have reason to believe that it was a successful effort. For a first effort the teacher has reason to be encouraged.

TABULAR STATEMENT.

District No.	Length summer schools in weeks.		Length winter schools in weeks.		Whole No. attending in summer.		Average attending in summer.		Whole No. attending in winter.		Average attending in winter.		Wages female teachers per month, including board.		Wages male teachers per month, including board.		Whole No. of scholars four years old and upwards attending school during the year.		Prudential Committee.
1	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	17	20	16	\$18	\$41	80	27	Wm. D. Owen.								
2	7	9	22	25	20	11	23	32	James Chase.										
3	6	10	20	19	20	17	16	24	30	Stephen Downing									
4	11	9	10	9	18	15	16	30	20	Chas. H. Gove.									
5	8	7	30	26	30	24	17	33	45	J. G. Morrill.									
6			8	6		16			8	Bartlett Simons.									
7	9	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	9	8	11	8	16	26	11	Matthew Forsaith									
8	10	6	13	10	14	12	16	33	14	J. G. Chase.									
9	8	11	21	18	21	16	16	30	29	S. Wilson.									
10																			
11	5		9	7		16			9	Elijah Brown.									

MORRIS HOLMAN,

Supt. School Committee.

Deering, Feb. 18, 1867.